



# *Charles County Commissioner*

## **CANDICE QUINN KELLY**

### **PRESIDENT**



Commissioner President Candice Quinn Kelly is a business owner, entrepreneur, elected official, community leader, and volunteer. Prior to being elected to her current term on the Board of Commissioners, she was appointed by the Governor to fill a vacancy on the Board from 2005 until the end of 2006.

Commissioner Kelly has more than 25 years of executive and administrative experience in the field of business. Before retiring in 2010, Commissioner Kelly owned a homeowner association management firm, which was recognized with a Leading Edge Award as the Charles County Technology Company of the Year, and is one of 140 nationally recognized, certified management firms in the country. She is currently the owner of a small women's boutique in La Plata.

In addition to her business pursuits, Commissioner Kelly was the former Executive Director of Catholic Charities Angel's Watch Shelter for Homeless Women and Children, and she served as a community organizer for Southern Maryland Area Self Help (SMASH). Named Philanthropist of the Year in 2009 by the Community Foundation of Charles County, the Charles County Commission for Women recognized her with a Lifetime Achievement Award for outstanding community service.

Currently, Commissioner Kelly holds the office of Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG). She was also elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Tri-County Council of Southern Maryland, and is a member of the Board of Directors of Maryland Association of Counties (MACo).

Commissioner Kelly has served on the Charles County Library Board of Trustees, College of Southern Maryland Foundation Board of Directors, and Southern Maryland Women's League Foundation, Inc. She is a member of the Fourth and Fifth District Democratic Club, Western Charles County Democratic Club; Northern Charles County Democratic Club; United Democratic Women's Clubs of Maryland; Southern Maryland Women's League; and the Charles County Garden Club. Commissioner Kelly is the County Commissioner Representative on the Civista Board of Trustees; MACo Legislative Committee; Area Council on Aging; Naval Support Activity South Potomac Civilian-Military Community Relations Council (COMREL); College of Southern Maryland (CSM) Advisory Board, and the Charles County Scholarship Fund.

A graduate of the Institute of Notre Dame High School in Baltimore, Md., Commissioner Kelly has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Studies from the University of Maryland, University College. Commissioner Kelly is the mother of three: Brenton, Megan, and John. She and her husband, Edwin, are parishioners at St. Ignatius Church of Chapel Point. They reside in La Plata.

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